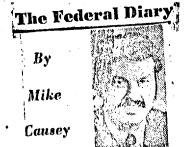
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Smart Bunch: The magazine Government Executive has looked behind the Central Intelligence Agency's cloak, and concluded that CIA has enough brainpower to "staff any college in the U.S. from among its professional employees." Over half of CIA's professionals, it said, have advanced degrees, 30 per cent hold doctorates, and 16 per cent master's degrees.

Unlike many universities, however, CIA doesn't have a "publish-or-perish" rule. It prefers that employees keep whatever they know to themselves.